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TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

SITUATION IMPROVING.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 2.

The improvement in the situation continues, although the signature to the armistice has been postponed for 48 hours to enable the delegate from Greece, which insisted on a separate representation, to obtain the necessary authority to sign the agreement, which has been considerably whittled down and now amounts to a stipulation for both sides to remain as they were, while the besieged towns will be again provisioned and the blockade of ports and islands temporarily raised.

GREECE CAUSING TROUBLE.

The appearance of Greece on the scene is particularly noteworthy, and is believed to be token of a growing mistrust between Greece and the rest of the Allies, which Bulgaria is representing. The armistice will be fixed for eight days, but may be prolonged for another week.

"THE REAL TUG-OF-WAR."

The real tug-of-war will begin with the peace negotiations proper. It is stated that the Allies' demands include an indemnity of 48 millions sterling.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

A message from Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the suggested Conference of Ambassadors has not yet taken official shape, but it is understood that while the Triple Alliance agrees to it in principle, it is seen difficulties in regard to the place of meeting, favouring Brussels, the Hague, or another neutral capital. It is pointed out, however, that this would involve the appointment of special plenipotentiaries as distinct from resident Ambassadors, which would entirely change the character of the proposed Conference, and make it a real Conference, at which the Balkans might claim to be represented.

AUSTRIA HOPEFUL.

A Vienna dispatch says the newspapers are far more hopeful on account of the report that Russia has given assurances that she does not intend to support all Serbia's aspirations. The inspired journals declare that Austria will not object to Serbia using some Adriatic port under Albanian sovereignty.

The semi-official journal "Fremdenblatt" carefully points out that Austria's optimism is based solely on the conviction that Europe will carry out Austria's minimum demands.

RUMOURS DENIED.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade states that an emphatic semi-official denial has been issued of reports that Serbia is concentrating troops on her northern frontier and fortifying Belgrade.

HAMPERED BY WEATHER.

Reuter's correspondent at Rieks states that the bombardment of Scutari continues, but that heavy rains are hampering the Montenegrins.

AN AUDIENCE.

Reuter's Vienna correspondent reports that the Emperor has had a prolonged audience with General Von Hostendorff, who has just returned from Roumania.

A DREADFUL MASSACRE.

Prior to the arrival of the Bulgarian troops at Dedegath the place was occupied by Bulgarian comitajia, who perpetrated a dreadful massacre, the victims, including some Christians, numbering fully 600. The Turkish quarters were completely pillaged.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENTS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 2.

The "Times" correspondent at Salonika states that Macedonia is being drenched with the blood of the innocent, the country being left to the tender mercies of the comitajia, "the bloodstained auxiliaries of the Bulgarians." The correspondent adds that an enormous amount of indiscriminate slaughter is proceeding, notably in the district of Avre Thissar. Mahomedan bands have likewise joined in the general destruction.

A SIGNIFICANT SPEECH.

Later.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin wires that during the debate on the Estimates in the Reichstag, Herr Bothmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor, dwelt on the situation in the Balkans. He emphasised the point that the exchange of views between the Powers was progressing, and, though he could not particularise, he could say that it was proceeding in a conciliatory spirit and with every prospect of success.

Of course, added the Chancellor, the claims of the Powers can only be determined when the terms arranged between the belligerents are known, for then they would be able to see how far they touched the spheres of interests of others. If, as he hoped would not be the case, insurmountable difficulties existed, then the Powers directly interested must assert their claims. "This," said the Chancellor, "also applies to our Allies, but if they, in asserting their interests, were attacked, contrary to expectations, from a third side, and their existence threatened, then we, as a faithful Ally, would resolutely place ourselves on their side, and then we should fight by the side of our Allies to defend our own position in Europe. I am convinced that in such a policy we should have the whole people at our back."

WINTRY WEATHER.

ARCTIC CONDITIONS AT HOME

London, December 2.

Scotland and the North and Central parts of England are in the grip of an arctic winter.

Zero is registered at Carlisle, and skating and skiing are general. The snow is so deep at Welbeck, where their Majesties are staying, that a snow plough had to be employed to clear the way to the station.

THE CORNISH MYSTERY.

NO TRACE OF MRS NOWILL.

London, December 2.

Incessant searches along the shore at Newquay have failed to discover any traces of Mrs Nowill, the wife of a Sheffield merchant, whose mysterious disappearance was followed by the suicide of Mr. De Lay, a former Singapore solicitor, with whom she had frequently been in company, and who left her £30,000 by his will.

TELEGRAMS.

PARLIAMENT.

"THE CHRISTMAS RECESS."

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 2.

Parliament will adjourn for the Christmas Recess on the 20th inst. and will reassemble on the 30th.

THE CHINESE REPUBLIC.

FOREIGN LOANS.

[From Chinese Sources.]
Peking, December 2.

The Central Government has invested Chau Huk-hai, Minister of Finance, with full power to arrange for the raising of a foreign loan with the International Banking Group. Negotiations have been in progress for several days regarding the framing of the articles of the agreement, but so far, nothing definite has been fixed up.

ANOTHER BRITISH LOAN.

The Central Government is again trying to raise another loan from the British merchants.

THE OLD CRY.

Hung Hsi-ling, former Minister of Finance, has proposed the raising of national loans in opposition to the raising of foreign loans.

WAR MATERIAL.

The Chinese Minister at Berlin has received a telegram from the Commissioner of Army at Feng-tien asking him to make a contract with German merchants for the supply of 48 field guns, besides a large quantity of firearms and ammunition. The order amounts to about 1,500,000.

A MATTER OF FUNDS.

The Central Government will decide on an expedition to Mongolia, if the "patriotic contributions" among the people towards the cost of the operations be sufficient for the purpose. "Shat Po."

JAPAN IN MANCHURIA.

Tokyo, December 2.
The Japanese Cabinet held a meeting on the 29th ultimo in connection with increasing of the strength of the Army stationed in Manchuria, but no decision was arrived at, and the meeting was postponed to the following day.

JAPANESE CABINET CHANGES.

The Japanese press report the resignation of the Minister of War, and big changes in the Cabinet will follow. "Shat Po."

PENDING APPOINTMENT.

Shanghai, December 2.
President Yuan intends to appoint Sun Po-ki as Chinese Minister to Berlin, and has asked the State Council to consider the appointment.

A WISE STEP.

Premier Chin Ping-kwan intends to issue an order pardoning those officials under the old Government who have taken shelter abroad.

THE FRANCHISE.

It has been decided to make use of the Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai as the place for the representatives of the Chinese residents abroad to record their votes by ballot for the members of the Senate. "Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

MOBILISATION.

Peking, December 2.
The Ministry of War and the Army Advisory Council are considering the plan of mobilizing the troops throughout the country. MILITARY APPOINTMENT.
President Yuan has appointed Chan Ping-kwan as Commissioner of Army in Kwang-shi.

The Russian Minister at Peking has written to Lu Ching-cheung, Minister of Foreign Affairs, that, under instructions from the Home Government, negotiations with China regarding affairs at Fulon will be deferred. "Sai Kai Kung Yik Po."

TELEGRAMS.

MR. HOOLEY.

RELEASED FROM PRISON.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, December 2.

Mr. E. T. Hooley, the financier, who was sentenced in February last to a year's imprisonment in the second division for fraudulently obtaining two thousand pounds sterling from a youth on inheriting a fortune, has been released in consideration of his good conduct in prison.

BLUEJACKET CHARGED.

Curious Story of Hotel Affair.

Arthur Thompson, a bluejacket on the U. S. S. Wilmington, was charged before Mr. Hazeland at the Police Court, this morning, with stealing a \$10 bill from the pocket of a man named F. L. Vernon, in the Imperial Hotel, Des Vaux Road, about seven o'clock last night.

Inspector Kenton said the complainant was the worse for liquor when in the hotel and put a ten dollar bill on the counter to pay for drinks, and the boy behind the bar asked him if he had small money as he was short of change. The complainant put the bill back into his pocket, and then the defendant, in front of two witnesses, put his hand into the complainant's pocket and took out the bill. The defendant went to the rear of the premises and later left the hotel altogether. He was arrested in the Victoria Theatre. When he was searched a ten dollar bill was found in his shoe.

A witness corroborated the statement made by the Inspector and added that he found the bill in the defendant's shoe.

The bar boy also corroborated the story and said he called for the police. Defendant tried to get away but witness ran after him and caught him in the theatre. Defendant was taken into a small room at the theatre and searched. There were two holes on the shoe of the defendant and the bill was stuffed into one of the holes. Many people saw him take the money from the man's pockets.

Complainant deposed to inviting the defendant and two or three more to take a drink. He tendered a ten dollar bill for the drink but as they had not change behind the bar he put the bill back into his pocket and paid in small coin. He was afterwards told by the bar boy that defendant had taken his bill. He put his hand into his pocket and found it was missing.

Defendant said the complainant gave him the money to save for him.

His Worship said he was satisfied there was no felonious intent as the money was taken in front of many people. Defendant would be discharged.

Vernon was fined \$2 for being drunk and incapable.

HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

The first round of the Hongkong Chess Club's December match, which is to be played on Thursday at 5-15 p.m., is as follows:—

R. A. Dastur v. L. U. Mirza.
A. F. B. Silva, Netto v. D. E. de Carvalho.
H. M. Basto v. P. A. Rosario.
P. da Rosa v. V. B. Souza.
Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., v. F. E. de Carvalho.
S. D. Setna v. A. J. M. Rodrigues.
H. Paulsen v. M. J. Danenberg.

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THE NEW GUNNERY.

THE LATEST FEAT.

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Interesting trials are being carried out in the English Channel, in the presence of Mr. Churchill.

A Dreadnought, fitted with the new fire director, was enabled to deliver a knock-out blow, landing five and a half tons of shell on a target absolutely simultaneously.

ALLEGED FALSE PARTICULARS.

The man named John Baker, employed by Messrs Palmer and Turner, who stands charged with giving false particulars in connection with an application for a permit to export opium, was again remanded on bail, by Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court, this morning.

Mr. Hutchison, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, applied for the remand as the Crown Solicitor was too busy to attend, and the Assistant Crown Solicitor was engaged at another Court.

Mr. Dennys, junior, of Messrs Dennys and Bowley, who defended, opposed the remand unless good cause for a remand was shown. The charge hanging over his client's head was, he said, a serious one.

Mr. Hutchison said he thought the case could be taken to-morrow afternoon.

The Case was, however, adjourned until Thursday.

TEAL COMEDY CO.

Despite the rain, there was a fairly good house at the Victoria last night to see "The Triflers." The piece is as farcical and mirth-provoking as could be asked for, and Messrs Charles le Roy and Fritz Fields, who made most of the fun, did excellently. There was never a dull moment while they were about. The ladies, too, were at their best. Miss Claire Davis, Miss Corinne Carkeek, and Miss Lillie Sutherland were in very happy mood. Mr. Teal himself was very bright between the acts.

But the chorus girls' contest was easily the hit of the evening. The winner revealed a voice lacking a little in volume but of a sweetness quite uncommon. She was an easy and a popular winner, and is to be heartily congratulated on the success she scored. There is to be another chorus girls' contest on Friday.

The winners were:—1 Miss Jespersen; 2 Miss Kinzie; 3 Miss Carson.

To-night there is a double bill—"Tom and Jerry" and "College Days."

LOCAL SPORT.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

The Rugby section of the Hongkong Football Club will play their third match to-morrow, Wednesday, at 5 o'clock when they meet the Army team. The latter will probably be very strong this season, the advent of the two internationals, Pym and Monteith, altogether infusing an added interest to the Cup matches this year. The following have been selected to play for the club on Wednesday:—Next:—Full Back:—T. E. S. Robson; Three-quarter backs:—B. Chapman; V. M. Grayburn; H. S. Rouse; P. Ginton; half backs:—A. A. Claxton, Jasper Clarke; forwards:—B. Farmer, A. Mardoor, A. F. Deane, J. C. Taylor, D. Walker, H. G. Jennison, W. B. Rigden, C. O. Stark.

The Club meet the Navy on Saturday, at 4 p.m. on the club ground.

TELEGRAMS.

THE SEA AND THE AIR.

THE BID FOR SUPREMACY.

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The Berlin correspondent of the "Daily Express" states that there is a movement on foot to induce the Government to build a fleet of a hundred Zeppelin airships, and thus secure the mastery of the air, and eventually of the sea.

THE LATE MR. HOMER LEA.

The "Times" on the Career of an Interesting Character.

Of the late Mr. Homer Lea, whose death we reported recently, the "Times" says:—"Mr. Homer Lea, a few years ago gained considerable notice on both sides of the Atlantic by his discussion of the external military problems of the United States in a book entitled 'The Valour of Ignorance.'"

"Mr. Lea spent the greater part of an active life in China, where he became identified with the advanced group which overthrew the Manchus. He was born at Denver in 1876, and received his education at Western universities. It is some 12 years since he began his military career in China, when he organized and commanded four divisions which undertook the rescue of the Emperor Kwang Su. Continuing to hold commands in the Chinese forces, he became Chief of the Staff of the revolutionary army under Dr. Sun Yat-sen. But it is as a writer that he became most widely known. He will be remembered principally by two books, the 'Valour of Ignorance' and 'The Day of the Saxon.' In spite of their extravagances and crudities of style, both books are full of lessons for Americans and Englishmen alike. In the former the author discussed the probability of a Japanese invasion of America, which he held to be foredoomed to be the prey of Eastern invaders. The book was translated into Japanese, and ran through 24 editions in a month. In 'The Day of the Saxon' Mr. Lea applied his theories to the British Empire. An uncompromising militarist, he endeavoured to test all national progress by the touchstone of military preparation:—predicting for the British Empire the certainty of war, he asked whether it was ready to face the series of wars which it would have to undergo before its supremacy could be uncontestedly established, and he answered the question in the negative. He concluded that the Saxon race could only survive under the strictest centralization of military and political policy. 'A confederacy,' he declared, 'is an old ignorance.' Among his other publications were a novel and a drama, and he had in hand a history of political development in China. Mr. Lea was unmarried."

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JEWELLERY AND CURIO SALE.

This morning, there was a good attendance at Mr. G. P. Lammer's sale room when the stock in trade of the Sun-Shing dealers in jewellery and curios was offered for public auction. The sale was not without interest in that the firm were practically the oldest curio dealers in Hongkong, and at one time did a good trade in silks. It is not expected that the whole stock, which is without reserve, will be sold to-day, and the sale will be continued to-morrow at 11 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. To-day prices ruled fair.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

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In a significant speech in the Reichstag, the Chancellor said if Germany's Allies were attacked, Germany would fight by their side.

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Lord Edward Cecil.

Lord Edward Cecil has been appointed Financial Adviser to the Egyptian Government in place of Sir Henry Harvey.

The Shanghai Gaol Breaking Case.
The Shanghai United States Court for China was to hold a sitting yesterday with reference to the case of Adolph Grimsinger, who, as was reported in "the Telegraph," was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for offences in the course of the gaol break some time ago.

GENERAL NEWS.

Pierre Loti on the Americans.

America, according to Pierre Loti, has lost her soul, and to regain it she needs an aristocracy of contemplation to offset the all-pervading materialism. He says in effect, "What does it profit you Yankees to accumulate untold stacks of dollars if in the process you sacrifice all great ideals and live in a constant atmosphere of bustle and excitement bordering upon chronic dyspepsia and inevitable neurasthenia?"

Tax Offices Demolished at Pukou.

It is reported in the Chinese Press that the Tax Office at the Pukou terminus of the Tientsin-Pukou Railways was demolished by a mob, and several persons on its staff were roughly handled on November 26. The "N. China Daily News" says that the incident has been reported to the Tientsin of Nanking. The next day, the enraged traders levelled the likin office of Pankou under the charge of Linhuiquan of Nanking, to the ground. The whole town of Pukou has gone on strike. The last sentence apparently means the people have adopted this attitude in defiance of the authorities.

Rubber in French W. Africa.

The British Embassy in Paris has forwarded an extract from the French Journal Officiel of 22nd September, says the Board of Trade Journal, containing the text of a decree designed to protect the rubber industry in French West Africa, by prohibiting the manufacture, sale of, and traffic in, coagulated rubber otherwise than in "sheet" or "cakes" of a maximum thickness of one centimetre. The tapping of rubber trees is also prohibited during not more than three months of each year, the particular period to be decided separately by the Governor of each colony.

Opium Suppression.

Severe punishment is promised by Tientsin for those discovered infringing the opium law after the end of this year. Within the province of Kiangsu, reports the Chinese Press, this vicious habit must be got rid of by December 31 next. Mr. Yen Chin-hien has been appointed Supervisor of Opium Suppression for Shanghai. He was ordered to come to Shanghai and open an office in the old yamen formerly occupied by the Shanghai Colonel. A number of officers will be deputed to make investigations, to enforce obedience to the Law, and to assist Mr. Yen generally.

Press and Morals.

Mr. J. A. Sponder, editor of the "Westminster Gazette," lecturing recently at the Holborn Hall under the auspices of the Council of Public Morals, contrasted "the able, sedate, serious, Victorian Press," and "modern journalism, with its colour, vitality, and sense of live people behind the pen that the younger generation wanted. The influence of the Press on public morals in the future was likely to be more and more indirect—by suggestion, selection, and omission of the vast and varied material it handled, by the emphasis it laid on this, and the light touch it gave to that; but it had not for this reason a less important influence on public morals. He urged the formation of a league to watch down-grade tendencies and to complain to the editors of papers which published and trafficked in prurient matter.

An Anti-Caste Conference.

The Aryan Brotherhood of Bombay is a social club instituted some years ago with the object of breaking down the barriers of caste in the Hindu community. It has been the means of bringing about several social gatherings and dinners at which the restrictions of caste as to inter-dining have been ignored. The promoters of the Brotherhood would seem to feel, however, that something more ought to be done to push forward their mission, and with this object they have convened a Conference of all Hindus who are dissatisfied with the present over-rigid system. The Conference meets shortly, and promises to be fruitful of results. Though there have been several Conferences held in recent years to discuss social questions, this is the first time that a movement has been set on foot with the abolition of caste as its chief object.

THE BOOK WORLD.

A STUDY OF GEORGE GISSING.

In a sympathetic, critical, and thoroughly admirable study of George Gissing, just published by Mr. Frank Swinnerton from the press of Martin Seeker, the writer says:—"Until we have the story of Gissing's life, told by his life-long friend, we can do no more than appraise his work, and grope, by what light we may gather, into the semi-darkness that envelopes his personal character." That "life-long friend" is Mr. Morley Roberts, and now the true and tragic story of George Gissing is published from Mr. Roberts's pen. It is entitled "The Private Life of Henry Maitland" (Eveleigh Nash), but it is no secret—indeed, it can be no secret to anyone who reads a dozen pages—that it is a faithful account of Gissing's life, character, and career. We are not surprised that Mr. Roberts resorted to the device of making his biography a work of pseudo-fiction by altering the names of nearly all who figure in it; his task, we take it, were impossible otherwise. He had promised Gissing to write his life, truthfully and without the slightest reserve, if he survived him, and he has done so, but we cannot wonder that he should have hesitated to carry out his melancholy trust to the extreme letter, and place the name of his friend on the saddest and most tragic life-history in all modern English letters. The shameful and pitiful episodes of Gissing's life have been vaguely known to his literary contemporaries for many years; it was, by them, well understood that the bitterness, the sordid greyness, the unrelieved tragedy of his novels, were the outcome of his own experiences, but the general public only guessed at some such warping influence on a nature almost supersensitive to beauty, as shown in his later novels, "By the Ionian Sea" and "The Papers of Henry Ryecroft." Now the veil has been rent, and whose wills may learn why Gissing's novels, great in many aspects, portentous in their kind, so often touched with a grave and classic beauty, were so laden with a frightful hatred of the poor and poverty, and with so contemptuous a spirit for the intellectually weak and humble—that last and foulest infirmity of noble minds.

A Tragic Life.

Rousseau took the precaution of writing his own life, and did not boggle to reveal many of its most sordid and disgraceful features, though we may suspect that he had a shrewd artistic eye on the ultimate effect, and left a good deal out which his Maker saw. Mr. Morley Roberts has had no necessity for reserve. He had Gissing's implicit injunction to write the whole truth as a service to humanity, and he is quite right when he speaks of it as a book quite unlike any other in the English language. We can say more—that it is a book which enormously enhances our respect for Mr. Roberts as a scholar, as a litterateur, and above all as a man.

The great objection to works on the subject of Sex—that they place a deal of dangerous knowledge before the public, knowledge which may prove a source of evil rather than of good—cannot be brought against this book. "Knowledge a young Man Should Have." The information here given is of such a nature that its application can only lead to benefit, physical and moral. The authors avowedly refrain from "sermonizing," directing their appeal to the good sense latent in every Young Man. By able argument they show that only such conduct is morally evil which results in physical harm; that there are many good things in life which are often discounted because of the abuse of them; but from which, nevertheless, good may be obtained if they are enjoyed with discretion and with a sensible appreciation of their value.

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EDUCATION IN SHANGHAI.

A New Ellis Kadoorie School.

The formal opening of the Ellis Kadoorie School in Carter Road, Shanghai, took place on the 25th ult. The Rev. A. J. Walker M.A. occupied the chair and he was accompanied on the platform by Mr. Ellis Kadoorie, Mr. Harry de Fray, Mr. E. C. Pearce and Dr. Wa Ting-fang. The Chairman in thanking Mr. Kadoorie for his gift to the city said:—

"In asking me to preside at this function, the Municipal Council has done me a peculiar honour. This School is the outcome of the success of another School. In the Northern District stands the first Municipal School for Chinese students. That School was founded by the generosity and wisdom of influential Chinese residents in Shanghai. Their wisdom found expression in the excellent school building which stands a monument to its founders. Their wisdom is seen in placing a school meant for Western learning as well as Chinese study under the care of the Municipal Council. By so doing the benefactors not only secured that continuity of teaching which is essential to the building up of a school's tradition, but also secured through the Council, Western teachers for imparting Western thoughts to the sons of China.

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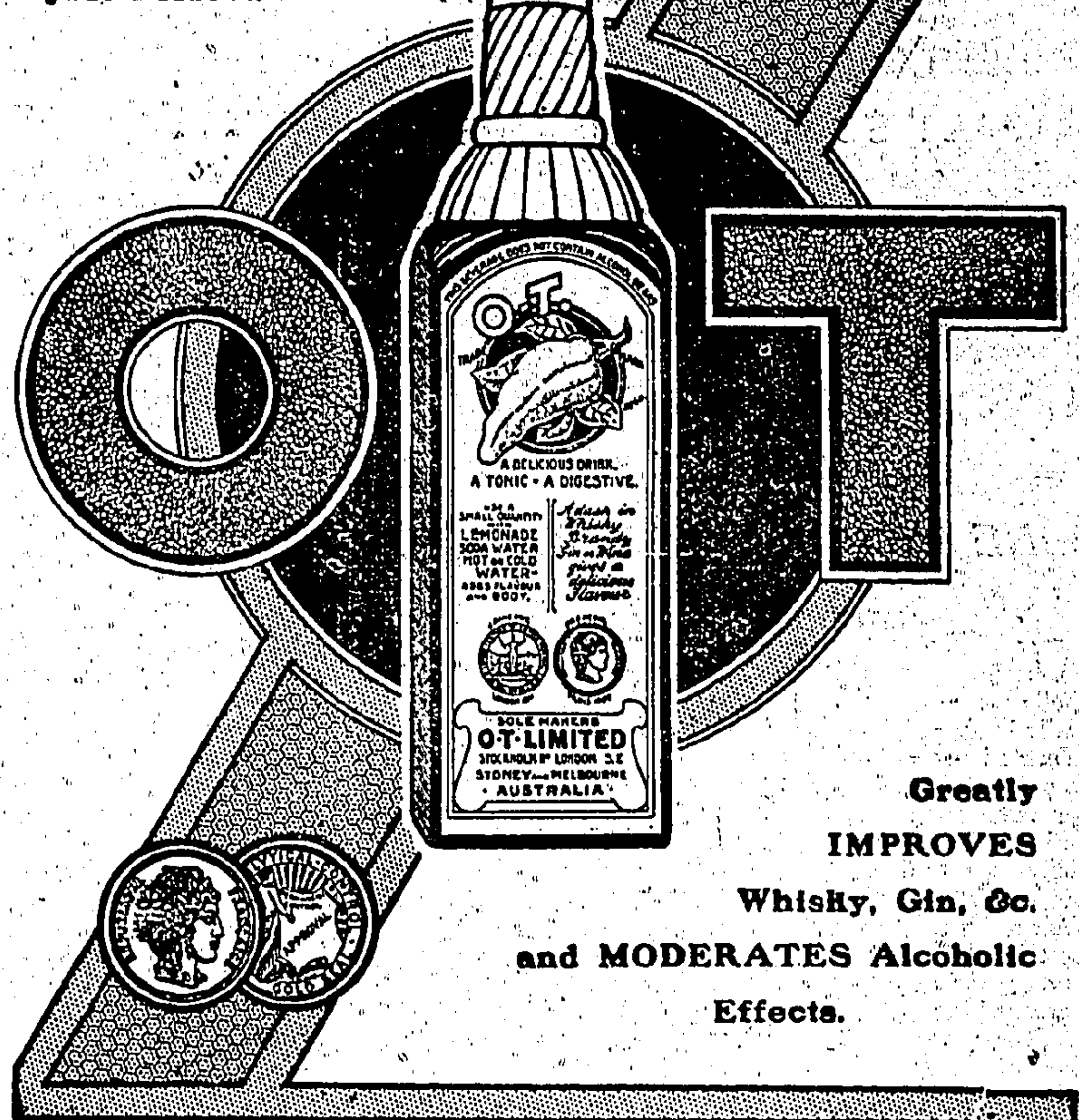
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BIRTH.

MOYLE.—On December 1, at 39 The Peak, the wife of the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, of a son.

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STIFLING DISCUSSION.

To the British sense of justice there is something inherently repellant in the manner in which the Government has been rushing its Home Rule Bill through Parliament. Time was when any measure, however comparatively unimportant, was at least given full and adequate scrutiny by the House of Commons. But that time has long since passed; it has been succeeded by an era when discussion of the biggest prospective legislative enactment of the session, is deliberately stifled in order that the measure may be rushed through at all costs. The same observation also applies to the Welsh Disestablishment Bill.

The utterly ruthless manner in which the "guillotine" has been brought into operation has been demonstrated by recent telegrams telling of the progress of the Home Rule Bill. In one evening four clauses were rushed through in this manner, two of which were passed without even a word of debate. This is not because the provisions are non-contentious—far from it; it is because the Government, with its Labour-cum-Nationalist following, has decreed that the Committee process shall be complete by a certain date, discussion or no discussion. In other words, a mockery is made of time-honoured Parliamentary procedure. The self-styled champions of liberty of thought and freedom of speech are found wilfully preventing the representatives of the people from clearly expressing their opinions on a vital proposal. Of course, by the adoption of the methods which it has fathered, the Government makes the passage of the Bill through the House of Commons a certainty, for it cannot be doubted that the force will be carried through to the bitter end. But the stiflers of free discussion will find it a very different matter when the Bill goes up to the House of Lords, where it will assuredly receive a by no means hearty welcome. It may be argued that rejection by the Upper Chamber will only mean a postponement of the evil day. But we doubt the probable accuracy of such a pronouncement. For it has to be remembered that if the full aid of the Parliament Act is to be brought to the aid of the shipwrecked Bill, it will take at least two years ere it can be placed on the Statute Book. And in that time a hundred and one points may crop up to bring about a General Election, with the strong possibility of the Government being once again sent into the wilderness.

The whole situation is full of interest to the student of politics, and the future of the Home Rule Bill should be followed with the deepest interest. It is only now that the matter is reaching a really engrossing stage. But be its fate what it may, all lovers of freedom, and all with a respect for British Parliamentary tradition, must deeply deplore the present tendency of forcing momentous measures through the House of Commons under the accused "guillotine" system.

DAY BY DAY.

People who can, do; those who can't, talk.

Arrived Back.

By the s.s. Monteagle, Mr. H. P. White arrived back to-day.

Weather Report.

The s.s. Sandon Hall, from Shanghai, reports experiencing strong N.E. wind and rain in the Formosa Channel.

Steering Passengers.

The s.s. Monteagle brought to Hongkong to-day from Vancouver 411 Chinese and 65 Indian steering passengers.

Dead Bodies.

The police report that two dead bodies have been found in the Harbour, but in each case death was due to natural causes.

Mme. Gauthier's Concert.

Mme. Eva Gauthier's concert at Macao was, we learn, a great success. It was attended by the Governor and a large gathering of residents.

The Yuensang's Trip.

The s.s. Yuensang, which came in from Manila to-day, reports experiencing strong north-east gale and heavy seas on the run up.

Raub and Langkat Outputs.

Messrs Wright and Hornby inform us that the Raub output for the past 4 weeks is 730 ozs gold. The Langkat output for the past month is 12,405 tons of oil.

A Big Batch.

No less than sixty-six prisoners were brought to the Police Court, this morning, by Sergeant Adlington, and subordinates, from West Point, charged with divers offences.

Concert.

An interesting but poorly attended concert was held yesterday evening at the Seamen's Institute. In addition to several musical items, a wrestling exhibition was given and also a lime-light lecture by the Rev. Foster Pegg, on "Travels in the Orient."

Dumping Rubbish.

In charging a man and a woman at the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, with depositing rubbish in the streets at West Point, Inspector Dymond complained of the trouble the authorities had with these dumps of rubbish.

Both defendants were fined \$1.

An Ideal Husband.

The booking to holders of advance tickets for "An Ideal Husband" opens to-morrow morning at Messrs. Moutrie & Co., and continues until the evening of Friday 6th inst. As a considerable number of advance tickets have been sold it is advisable to call early at Moutrie's in order to secure good seats.

Boatwoman Fined.

This morning at the Marine Magistrate's Court before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., Kwok Tai Hi, a boatwoman, was charged with unlawfully anchoring her boat within the limits of the Southern Fairway in Victoria Harbour on December 1. The defendant was fined \$15.

Weddings.

Among the weddings that are fixed to take place shortly are the following:—Lieut. Geoffrey Harcourt Kent, K.O.Y.L.I., Murray Barracks, and Miss Muriel Hutton Potts, 58 The Peak; Mr. Gottlob Dietrich missionary, Basle Mission to Miss Martha Maier who is en route for Hongkong in the Kleist; Mr. Reginald Dixon Wilks, 6 Victoria View, Kowloon, to Miss Florence Mabel Brown, 4 Hankow Road, Kowloon.

The Gamblers.

Twenty-two men were charged by Inspector Dymond, before Mr. C. D. Melbourne at the Police Court this morning, with gambling in Chung Ching Street. One of the defendants said that the constable who went into the house pulled the cents, matches and cards produced in Court out of his own pocket and the charged them with gambling. The first man was fined \$5 and the remainder \$1 each.

Aviator in Hongkong.

M. Kouzminsky, the well known aviator, who has recently been exhibiting at Pong-tien, Tientsin, Hankow, and Mukden arrived in Hongkong this morning by the Hiram Maru to try and arrange for a series of flights here. He has brought with him the Blériot monoplane, fitted with a "gnome" motor, in which he flew from St. Petersburg to Moscow. M. Kouzminsky is a nephew of Count Tolstol.

THE Y. M. C. A.

Last Night's Opening of Parliament.

The Y. M. C. A. opened its Parliament last night and, in spite of bad weather, some thirty members put in an appearance. Mr. W. Sykes was elected Speaker, and, in his absence, Mr. G. Piercy very ably presided. The Clerk of the House (Mr. S. B. Ballenger) read aloud the respective duties of the Speaker, the Sergeant at Arms (Mr. E. L. Garrett) and the Clerk. The Speaker then read the King's Speech, the adoption of which was moved by Mr. G. G. Burnett (Home Secretary and C. S. P.) and seconded by Mr. W. A. Wilson (Member for Rotherham). An Amendment—subsequently lost—was moved by Mr. C. Hickling (Leader of the Opposition) and seconded by Mr. L. Le Breton (Jersey).

A discussion followed, in which Mr. W. B. Hind (Chancellor of Exchequer), Mr. G. W. Sowell (Government Whip) and Mr. F. G. White (Prime Minister and Colonial Secretary) took part. A Bill was then introduced by Mr. T. Fuller (Islington) and seconded by Mr. Hind, recommending the taking over by Government of the control of public vehicles. The rejection was moved by Mr. J. L. McPherson (West Kent) and seconded by Mr. Hickling. Mr. W. Holmes, as suppositions Premier of New Zealand, discussed the traffic arrangements obtaining in Australasia, in an interesting speech. Mr. Fuller's measure was accepted by the House. Next Monday night "Compulsory Military Service" will be the subject of debate.

"FROM BEHIND THE SPEAKER'S CHAIR"

The debating society is a god-send to the man who wants to let off steam; and no well-regulated town or village should be without one. Where such a vent exists, the person who wants to abuse a Cabinet Minister just when someone else is not politically argumentatively inclined, or who faint would fire the all-important question "What did Gladstone do in '42?" at his neighbour, thus interfering with the said neighbour's enjoyment of his soup, can keep his arguments and queries to himself till debate-night comes round—and then let go.

Now that the Y. M. C. A. has re-opened its Parliament, all the budding politicians, casuists and dialecticians of Hongkong can get together, and unbottle and air their grievances and forthwith set the world right. This little Parliament should accomplish great things, for the stuff is there among its members, only waiting to be brought out by experience and shoulder-rubbing. Underneath all the joy of make-believe, and the concurrent disposition to giggle self-consciously, which is part and parcel of the character of the honest Britisher who has a whole-some dread of making an ass of himself, one could easily perceive a genuine desire for self-improvement among the men who assembled last night; as well as a just appreciation of the facts that all is not yet right with the world, and that it is every fellow's duty to do his share towards the betterment of things.

Many a true word was spoken—soberly "in jest" let us say in make-believe—during the discussions, and it is conceivable that, before the session is out, certain of the members' resolutions and arguments may prove worthy of consideration in higher quarters. The coinage, boy-cotting and vehicular traffic questions could scarcely hope to escape, and it is to the credit of the speakers that triteness was avoided as far as possible and that reasonable efforts were made to discuss the less obvious facets of the situation.

By and by the inclination on the part of the members—some-what noticeable at present—to swing, pendulum-fashion, between the two extremes of force and a grim earnestness that itself verges on the ridiculous, will cease; and humour, seriousness, mayhap lofty eloquence as well, will each be recognised as, in turn, a valuable means of gaining a definite point, or, and "Man" are going there neither to chaff nor to preach, and the House is neither

A TIP TOP ALPHABET.

(BOTH TOPICAL AND TYPICAL.)

A Viaticum for the Weary Wayfarer Unwarily Sojourning in Hongkong.

A is Argentum whose symbol is Ag. 'tis Latin for Silver that a money d'ye see.

B is for Bombastes—Furious's own self; when the Boycott is over he'll return to the shelf.

C is for the Companies doing their best to put Legal Tender for once to the test.

D is for Denarii—copper you know which the Government's curiously giving a show.

E is for His Ex. a man full of learning, but on this 'ere occasion he's hardly discerning.

F is the Force which he ought to put forth when faced by those Blackguards who're shewing their wrath.

G is the Government governed from home by erroneous policy—Dowling Street's own.

H is Hongkong, quite a beautiful isle, surrounded by water and also by guile.

I is Independence, a faculty bold, of the rarest occurrences out here I am told.

J is the Jest which the "Hoi Polloi" make at the d—d silly measures the Government take.

K is the King, God bless him, I say, though his effigy's discounted more every day.

L is the Lion—of Britain I mean; though his policy's lamblike, on taxes he's keen.

M is for the Measures the absence whereof tends to prolong the Boycott and make us all scold.

N at the News, which we all of us mind. That for riot and rampage a man's merely fined.

O is the Orient, old, grave and gay, which takes all its troubles quite calmly they say.

P is for the Parsee Strings so tightly they're drawn Hongkong's reputation will quickly be gone.

Q is for the querists who seek to find out what "the Hades" the Government can be about.

R is for the Radical Secretary of State whose promotions should mostly be wiped off the slate.

S is for Showan, years ago he did cry "if you do no prohibit"—your courage must die.

T is for Thomson the Treasurer who, is fully aware that She-wan spoke true.

U is the Usurer down from Canton who in present circumstance need not stay long.

V is the Victim who, squeezed right and left, is quickly of copper and silver bereft.

W is the word that is quickly passed round by Conspirators seeking a Boycott to found.

X, Y & Z are the symbols, begorrah, will indicate Hongkong's true value to-morrow.

a tom-fool-show nor a conventicle. To our way of thinking, only one speaker—the youthful member for Northern constituency—fully realised, last night, that a speech often carries ten times the weight when humour is the force behind it. Surely the classical dramatists and the English and French humourists have settled that question for all time. But this is by the way.

The Parliament can and will achieve big things, if last night's businesslike way of getting to work be anything to judge by. The main point is that time was not wasted and men didn't talk merely for the sake of hearing their own voices; in which particular they set a grand example to the members of the talk-exchange at Westminster.

THE CHEUNG CHAU PIRACY.

The man charged, along with the three women, with being concerned in the Cheung Chau piracy attack, is still unable to travel from Macao, on account, it is believed, of beri-beri.

At the Police Court, this morning, Detective Inspector Watt asked Mr. Hazeland to grant a further remand, and the application was granted.

BOXING.

Promise of Good Bouts on Saturday.

Mr. Hall's show on the 7th inst. promises to be a good thing. There is to be a 15 round contest, three contests of 10 rounds each and two of 6 rounds, not to say anything of the Heavyweight Lifter. Mr. Hall has had to find a substitute for Potter, the man who was billed to fight Seaman Hayes and he is fortunate in having so many good men at his disposal. In this instance Seaman Grayston will oppose Seaman Hayes. The former belongs to H.M.S. Minotaur and the latter to H.M.S. Kent. This should prove an interesting bout. Grayston holds the Featherweight Championship of the China Fleet, and Hayes holds the Amateur Featherweight Championship of Hongkong.

The 10 round contest for the Amateur Featherweight Championship between Mr. Mayer and Mr. Dixon, both of Hongkong, will no doubt last the 10 rounds, as neither man is going to leave anything to chance. The winner of this bout receives a silver Cup, and the loser receives a gold medal suitably inscribed.

There will be a heavyweight contest between Corpl. Scott, R. E., and Telegraphist Carroll, H. M. S. Kent, and no doubt the public will appreciate this bout as two have not had a good fight at that weight in Hongkong for quite a number of years. The winner of this bout will be quite willing to meet Grant, H.M.S. Flora, when he arrives in Hongkong.

The other 10 round contest is between Sapper Miles R.E., and Hambley, H.M.S. Otter. Both men are in the best trim and eager to get at it.

There will be a 6 round contest between Latham H.M.S. Virago, and P.O. Penfold, H.M.S. Rosario.

The last bout will be a 6 round contest between L/Sto. Bishop, H.M.S. Tahn, and Sapper Kelly, R.E.

It is unnecessary to state that there will be no fakes or frame-ups.

SANITARY BOARD.

The Pokfulam Catchment Area.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon at the offices of the Board, Mr. D. W. Truman presiding.

Dealing with the mortality returns for the week ending October 28 and November 2, Mr. E. B. L. Bowley minuted:—Will the Medical Officer of Health give particulars with regard to the two cases of malaria and one of typhoid amongst the non-Chinese civil population?

The Medical Officer of Health:—The case of typhoid fever was an imported one, from Canton; the death occurred at the Matilda Hospital. One of the deaths from malaria was an adult living at Shaukiwan Road and the other a infant living at Quarry Bay.

Minuting on a letter from the Government relative to the issue of permits for obtaining building material and turf from the Pokfulam Catchment Area, Mr. Bowley minuted:—Suggest that Government be asked to inform the board when any new permit is issued; and when an old permit is renewed, giving particulars of the locality and conditions, so that members may have an opportunity of inspection.

Dr. Fitzwilliams:—The Head of the Department for Public Works stated that he was unable to see how the issue of such permits can endanger the supply (9:7:12) and, after the last sentence of the H.S.D.'s letter of 30:8:12, and my minute of 19:8:12, resulting in an official letter of confidence of 18:11:12, and a statement of His Excellency positively declaring that the danger is infinitesimal (6:10:12) it must therefore be my duty to record my disagreement.

"The Shanghai Tattler."

We understand that a new weekly paper, under the above name, made its bow to the Shanghai public on Sunday last, December 1. It is said to be written in a humorous vein and promises to provide its readers with light and amusing comment on local topics of the week.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Air Supremacy.

Reuter quotes a message from Berlin to the effect that a movement is on foot to induce the Government to build a fleet of a hundred Zeppelins in order to secure the mastery of the air and so of the sea. We could wish that in Britain some public movement could be started which would induce the Government courageously to attack this matter of air supremacy. Even an overwhelming superiority on water must be largely discounted if it is associated with a manifest inferiority in the air. So much is already beyond dispute, although it was only the other day that the air was conquered. Only a few years ago the first tentative efforts at flight were regarded with a mildly humorous scorn. To-day the air machine is become an auxiliary instrument of war of great consequence.

Britain's Position.

It has not yet been established beyond question that the Zeppelin airship is of more value, as a war arm, than the heavier-than-air machine. But that is not the point, at the moment. What is of real consequence is the fact that continental peoples and Governments—some of them at least—are terribly in earnest in this matter. In striking contrast is the attitude of the British Government. On occasion it has appeared to give evidence that it meant to attack the matter as seriously as it deserves, and to place Britain in line with France and Germany. But its efforts have never been sufficiently sustained. Britain has some of the finest engineers in the world and some of the finest airmen. When will the Government make a serious effort to utilise the brains and energy of both and thus place Britain in a position fitting her eminence amongst the nations?

The Trade Commission.

The retirement of Lord Morley from the Chairmanship of the Imperial Trade Commission comes as no surprise, for the veteran statesman has of late been in anything but robust health. He is now well past man's allotted span, though his mental activity and alertness are as keen as ever they were.

If he followed his inclinations, "Honest John", as he will always be known, would have retired from active life over a year ago, but the sudden illness of Lord Crove called him to the occupancy of the India Office again just as he had intended resting on his laurels. Now he is again in ill-health, and his resignation of the Commission's Chairmanship is only natural. A very capable successor has, however, been found in Sir Edgar Vincent, whose expert knowledge on financial matters should be of the greatest value to the Commission in dealing with the problems which will come before the members. The appointment of Sir Alfred Bateman to the Commission is also noteworthy. He has had a very wide experience as a Commissioner, and among the offices he has held are those of President of the Royal Statistical Society, Chairman of Labour Arbitration Courts, and Comptroller General for Commerce, Labour and Statistics at the Board of Trade. He has been decorated for his services to British trade.

Britain's Tennis Victory.

Good news comes from Melbourne to the effect that Britain has succeeded in wrestling the Davis International Lawn Tennis Cup from the Australians, who have held it now for some years. Last year the British players had a sound beating at the hands of America, who won by four events to one, but the latter met their Waterloo at the Antipodes. In the previous years there was no contest for the cup, Britain and America allowing Australasia the holders, to walk over. In these days, when we hear so much of the decline of British sport, it is comforting to feel that we can still put men on the tennis lawn who can more than hold their own amongst the best racket-wielders in the world.

Alleged Kidnaping.

The two men charged with kidnapping three children, were again remanded by Mr. Hazeland at the Police Court, this morning, on the application of Sergeant Appleton.

A HARD VOYAGE.

Graphic Story of the Lord Curzon's Experiences.

Yesterday afternoon the a.s. Lord Curzon, from Seattle, under charter to the Bank Line, Limited, steamed into Hongkong Harbour, looking very much the worse for the severe treatment that she has had from the Northern Pacific.

It will be remembered that some time ago, great anxiety was felt as to the ship's safety, as she had not been heard from and was 20 days overdue. News was finally received by Mr. Harvey, the local manager of the Bank Line, that she had reached Yokohama.

A representative of the "Hongkong Telegraph" went on board the Lord Curzon, and interviewed Mr. John Roberts, the chief officer, who said:

"Yes, we have had a tough time of it. We left Seattle on the 6th of October, and encountered nothing but a continual succession of gales whose direction ranged from N. W. to S. W. all the way. Day after day, until, as Kipling says, we were 'sick and sorry, heart and soul,' hurricane winds and mountainous seas, swept us from far and clean away. One especially large one carried away the starboard life boat as though it were a mere chip, tearing it away from the davits and wrenching the tackles apart.

"I will gladly give you the barometer readings, as they are rather extraordinary:

From October 8th to October 31st (when the storms let up on us), they are:—
30.10, 28.80, 30.02, 29.58, 29.52, 28.70, 28.00, 29.28, 29.30, 30.35, 30.34, 29.22, 29.95, 30.28, 29.12, 30.10, 29.04, 29.28, 29.30, 29.72, 29.08, 30.10, 29.60, 29.82.

You will see how seldom the glass rose above 30.00!"

Quoting from the last officer's log, the following facts show what a hard time the ship had of it:

"Saturday, 26th:—Blowing a very heavy W. N. W. gale, with tremendously high seas. Ship labouring heavily and taking enormous quantities of water fore and aft. At 2.30 a.m. shipped a very bad sea over starboard bow which unshipped fore and aft bridge, breaking three rail stanchions, and damaging three tarpaulins on No. 1 Hatch.

"7.30 a.m. Shipped another bad sea over starboard bow, that swept solidly over us, smashing port and starboard frames in the apprentices' quarters.

Noon. Gale increasing with terrific squalls and higher seas.

8 p.m. Gale moderates slightly, but a terrible sea running; ship straining, engines racing badly. Midnight: Similar weather; shipping seas continually.

"This weather continued," the first officer said, "and on October 31st we were obliged to begin using the cargo (flour) for fuel, and in hopes of getting better weather, bore away to the Southward. The carpenter and one man were set to work sawing up spare ceiling from the bunker shelter deck, and from the 'tween deck, also the 'tween deck hatch, for fuel, and the crew were put to shifting sacks of flour from No. 2 sheltered deck to the cross bunker, to be used as fuel also.

"On October 31st at 4 a.m. there was a frightfully high and confused sea, that stuck by us. On November 1st the crew began to shift flour from the tank hatch to the cross bunker! Next day at 11.50 a.m. a thundering big sea carried away the port steering chain on the quadrant. All hands were called to connect up the hand steering gear. On Monday, November 4 we set all the sail we could, but were still burning flour. At 7 p.m. the wind shifted to W. and we took in sail at 3 a.m. on November 5 we set sail again, with a howling N. W. wind, and began cutting up all possible woodwork on the ship. On Wednesday, November 6th, we cut up all awning spars; the same weather continued. On Thursday 'chips' (the carpenter), cut up the funnel boards. The seas were getting worse. The wind hauled to W. thence to N. W. and back to W. again, with increasing force. On Sunday, at 3 a.m., the main try sail blew off its bolt rope.

"We lost our lifeboat (starboard) on the 20th," Mr. Roberts continued. "A heavy sea came over

the starboard bow and smashed the boat to matchwood, carrying away all of the davits and boat's gear at the same time. Oh yes, we have had a merry time of it!"

Captain Hendrikson came on board as the interviewer was leaving, and said:

"I've never had such a wild trip in all my days at sea, and I never want to repeat it!"

The Lord Curzon looks the part that she has played in what might have been another tragedy of the sea. Her engine room, and tank ventilators are gone, her 4 room ventilators are bent and twisted out of shape, all the awning stanchions are gone, the midship deckhouse over the engine room and apprentices' quarters was swept over the side; in short the vessel looks badly battered.

Yet Captain Hendrikson said that although the vessel strained badly at times, and, labouring hard, he does not think that the hull is at all injured.

It is understood that the Lord Curzon will go into dock here for examination.

THE S.S. SUMATRA.

Arrival in Port After a Troublesome Trip.

The P. and O. s.s. Sumatra, which was due at Hongkong on Saturday afternoon, arrived in port this morning at 9.30. The Captain told a "Telegraph" representative that the boat had had nothing but extremely stormy weather all the way up from the Paracels.

"We've had a wretched time," he said, "and I feel tired out. No; I didn't put back at all, but at one point I found myself about fifty miles out of my course. Right away up from the Paracels we've had rain, cold, heavy seas and high winds; a positively beastly passage."

The crew and passengers—or such of them as were visible—looked none the worse this morning for their rough time. One passenger whose arrival will be of interest to his many friends in Hongkong is Mr. Fletcher, formerly of the firm of Carmichael and Clarke, who, with Mrs. Fletcher, is on his way to Shanghai.

Mr. Fletcher informs us that he has been at home for fourteen months and is now returning as surveyor at Shanghai for Lloyd's Shipping Register. His remarks as to the enormous increase in shipping and its far-reaching effects, confirm what has been said recently on the subject in the "Telegraph."

The increase in oil driven vessels alone has added, tremendously, he tells us, to the work devolving upon Lloyd's; and as such vessels become more and more popular—as undoubtedly they will do—the Company will have a heavier load on its shoulders than ever before.

TRAMWAY BOYCOTT.

We learn from the Registrar General that nothing new whatever has happened in connection with the boycott of the trams. The line is still guarded by police, though the soldiers appear to be less in evidence to-day. The cars are being used as sparingly as on other days recently. The notice posted outside the Registrar General's office still continues to attract little crowds of Chinese, who stare—perhaps read, and pass on peacefully.

YACHTING.

R. H. Y. C.'s Second Club Race.

The following boats started on Saturday, in a light east wind in the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's second club race:—

Handicap Class.			
Course No. 2, Lyceum Beacon, Kowloon Rock, Markboat in Quarry Bay 8 Miles; start 2.30			
Corrected. Order. Marks.			
Dione	4.12.6	4	3
La Linda	4.13.53	0	1
Rollo	4.13.9	0	2
Dorothea	4.10.53	1	7
Kathleen	4.11.51	2	5
Colleen	4.11.51	3	4

One Design Class.
Course No. 30, Markboat Quarry Bay, Markboat on starting line, Gull Rocks buoy, Channel Rocks 7.4 Miles.

Finish. Order. Marks.			
Haleyon	4.15.40	1	4
Bonito	4.18.16	2	2
Daphne	4.18.34	3	1

EUROPEANS IN COURT.

Interesting Story of an Office Scene.

At the Police Court, this afternoon, before Mr. Hazeland, M. Bryan, charged A. Harrison, of the British American Tobacco Co., with assault on the 22nd ult. The defendant on this charge also preferred against the complainant in the same charge, the following charge on a cross-summons:

"That the said M. Bryan on the 22nd November 1912 at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong did behave in a noisy and disorderly manner and did use profane language, and threatening and abusive and insulting words and behaviour whereby a breach of the peace might have been occasioned contrary to section 23 of Ordinance 1 of 1845."

Mr. Mason, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for Bryan and Mr. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for Harrison.

Mr. Bryan said he was unemployed at present, having resigned his position as a salesman under the British American Tobacco Co. He had written to Mr. Harrison for a character when he (complainant) had applied for a position in Hongkong. He eventually went and saw Mr. Harrison. Mr. Harrison asked him to come into his private office. He went in and Mr. Harrison asked him to take a seat. Complainant replied that what they had to say would soon be said and he did not require a seat. Defendant then said "Do you know you are a low down scoundrel and have squandered some of the company's money? Do you know I could have you arrested?" Complainant replied "Mr. Harrison, I am in your office at the present time; it is up to you to have me arrested and afterwards we will go before the Court and we will see what happens."

"Mr. Harrison," said complainant, "jumped up like a tiger and caught me by the back of the neck with his two hands, your Worship. He pushed me down and tried to throw me down the staircase. He then sent the boy for the police." Mr. Harrison told the policeman when he came to chuck complainant down the stairs as he was a "nuisance on the premises." Complainant then took out a summons for assault.

Mr. Lewis:—I think in the middle of last month you were in the employ of the B.A.T.?—Yes, I left on November 9.

I think Mr. Harvey is the Manager for South China and Mr. Harrison was acting Manager?—Yes.

When did you join the B. A. T.?—8th Jan., 1911.

At that time I think they were building new premises on the Shamshing and you were engaged as an overseer or foreman of the works?—Yes.

I think this is important—that you came back for several reasons?—I was taken on as overseer of the works on the Shamshing.

And I think the architect in charge of the works had not much use for you and you stayed three or four days?—I was there three weeks.

Mr. Mason:—I think this is rather irrelevant.

Mr. Lewis:—As a matter of fact your Worship will see in a few moments it is extremely relevant. Now you were turned off the job and Mr. Giles took you on the advertising staff at the Canton Branch?—I beg pardon, Mr. Giles did not. I was engaged at the B. A. T. office to look after the building until they could find a more suitable man.

How long were you on the job?—Three weeks.

Now, Mr. Giles, or whoever was manager in Canton, did not wish to throw you on the cold world, and so put you on the advertising staff?—He had nothing to do with it.

Well, the Manager for the time being; it does not matter to me whether he was Mr. Giles or not?—He wrote to Mr. Harvey in Hongkong and said he thought I was a suitable man for a salesman because I can speak Chinese and therefore transferred me to the advertising department.

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ORGAN RECITAL.

The organ recital which Mr. Denman Fuller has arranged for this month takes place on Tuesday, December 9, when a good programme will be brought forward. The vocalist on this occasion will be Miss Walter, who is passing through the colony, while the violinist will be Miss Lookhart, a lady who is also paying the colony a visit. The selections that Mr. Fuller has chosen for this recital are rather more on the popular side and include the first movement of Elgar's "Sonata in G major," "Prelude and Fugue in E minor" by Bach, a piece that is spoken of as Mendelssohn's favourite, "Barcarole by Sterndale, and the finale of the "Pathetic Symphony" by Tschai-kowski.

BORROWED MONEY.

This afternoon the Puisne Judge, Justice Gompertz, sitting in Summary Jurisdiction, had before him the case in which, Lau Yun, trading as Lau Yan Kee, 9 Belchers St., sued Li Tin Kee, 2 U On Terrace, contractor, to recover the sum of \$300 money alleged to have been lent, and interest \$345, being interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per month for twenty-three months.

Mr. F. X. D'Almada Castro appeared for the plaintiff, but the defendant was unrepresented.

The defendant admitted borrowing \$300 on a promissory note, but stated that instalments amounting to \$133 had been paid to plaintiff's wife who, however, did not give a receipt. The money was paid to her, he said, because it was really her who advanced the money through her husband. As he failed in business the plaintiff agreed to waive the interest.

The plaintiff in the box denied having received any of the money. Judgment was given for the plaintiff.

GAMBLERS.

Eleven men were charged with gambling at Wanchai, before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning.

Inspector McHardy said all the defendants were in the employ of the Government and not one of them lived in the house in which they were found.

A fine of \$3 or in default seven days was imposed in each instance.

HIS "EMPLOYER."

The Chinese found in Capt. Aitken's Garden, Austin Road, Kowloon, on Sunday morning, at 2.25, and who was remanded by Mr. Hazeland, yesterday so that he might call his "employer," was sent to gaol this morning for six weeks with hard labour, on a charge of being a rogue and vagabond. The charge was preferred by Inspector Kerr.

THEFT OF LAMP FITTINGS.

At the Police Court, this morning, a Chinese was charged with being in unlawful possession of an incandescent lamp, alleged to have been taken from a street lamp.

He was seen by a Chinese detective with a parcel in his hand, and when asked what it contained did not give a satisfactory answer. When the parcel was opened, a lamp glass was found, and in defendant's pockets there was a burner. The fittings were the property of the P.W.D., and were taken from Bonham Street East.

Defendant said he found them. His Worship sent defendant to gaol for two months with hard labour, and ordered him to be detained in the stocks for four hours.

To-day's Advertisements

FOR KOBE AND MOJI.

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SHANGHAI	HANYSANG	Thursday, 5th Dec., Noon
MANILA	YUENSANG	Saturday, 7th Dec., 2 P.M.
SHAI, KOBE & MOJI	KUTSANG	Monday, 9th Dec., 4 P.M.
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N'BAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, T. 7,000 { WEDNESDAY, 18th Dec., at Noon.

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CALCUTTA & C. KIRIN MARU, Capt. M. Deguchi, Tons 5,000 { SATURDAY, 14th Dec.

BOMBAY & C. TOTOMI MARU, Capt. T. Tani, Tons 5,000 { MONDAY, 9th Dec.

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Tijlki	JAVA	1st half Dec.	SHANGHAI	1st half Dec.
Tijlbatap	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.	JAVA	2nd half Dec.
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LOG BOOK.

Panama Canal ready next September.

It has been officially given out by the government of the United States that the Panama Canal will be available for the use of shipping by September, 1913, while hopes are entertained that the waterway will be opened before the end of July.

Traffic at Newchwang River.

Contrary to expectations, the river at Newchwang was still open to traffic on November 20 though the stream was full of heavy ice and great difficulty was encountered in navigating it. On that date says "Shipping and Engineering," the O.N. steamer Foochow and a Japanese entered the port and it was expected that these would be the last to arrive before the final closing of the port.

The Japanese Battle-Cruiser "Hiyei."

The Asahi quotes Admiral Sakamoto, the Director of the Yokosuka Naval Shipbuilding Yard, as follows on the destructive power of the battle-cruiser "Hiyei," launched at Yokosuka on Thursday (21st instant):—

"The designated speed of the vessel is 27½ knots, which may develop as far as 30 knots. The vessel being fitted with 8 14-in. guns, her destructive power can be imagined. When the Japanese Navy comes to be in possession of four vessels of such formidable destructive power and great speed, such as are now being built, the offensive power of the fleet will be enormous, and we shall feel reassured. If possible we wish to have nine battleships of this type and nine vessels of a new type now being constructed. When we are equipped with 18 such powerful ships, we need fear no enemy in the world. In respect of power, the vessel just launched will surpass the total force of the combined squadrons of the Japanese Navy at the time of the Sino-Japanese war. When the battleship 'Kawachi' was built a few months ago, she was said to be the largest ship afloat, but the 'Hiyei' exceeds her both in length and tonnage. Owing to the want of funds the equipment of the 'Hiyei' cannot be completed before 1914, though if the Diet should vote funds this year, the equipment of the vessel can be completed by the end of next year."

China Coast Gazette.

Mr. H. N. Cornwell, second officer, Changwe, has gone second officer, Luenho.

Mr. A. Warner, second officer, Luenho, has resigned.

Mr. A. A. Shalmers has been appointed acting second officer, Changwo.

Mr. J. Tate, supernumerary, Kutwo, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. W. Martinson, acting chief officer, Kutwo, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. Thomson, acting second officer, Kutwo, has gone supernumerary, Koonshing.

Mr. J. W. Rideout second officer, Wenchow, is on leave.

Mr. J. W. Scott, from leave, has gone second officer, Wenchow.

Mr. W. H. Train, third engineer, Kansu, has gone third engineer, Liangchow.

Mr. G. Blair Hood, third engineer, Liangchow, has gone third engineer, Kansu.

Mr. C. W. Shearer, from leave, has gone chief officer, Ningpo.

Mr. F. M. R. Carter, acting chief officer, Ningpo, has gone supernumerary, Hain Peking.

Mr. F. G. Wedlock, second officer, Ichang, has gone

COMMERCIAL.

October Rubber Returns.

K. poowas.—3,300 lbs., making a total for the 10 months ended October 31, of 19,250 lbs. Output for 1911, 3,250 lbs.

Manchester North Borneo.—October was 5,193 lbs. In the same month of 1911, it was 1,858 lbs. Total for 10 months this year, 38,702 lbs.

Vertical Gas Engines for Japan. In fulfillment of a contract for Japan, the National Gas Engine Company (Limited), of Ashton-under-Lyne, are supplying three six-crank 12-cylinder high-speed tandem vertical gas engines, each to give 1,500 h.p. as a constant working load and 10 per cent. overload. Two of these engines have now been shipped, and the third is in course of erection. It is understood that the engines gave satisfactory results on test.

Berang Rubber Report.

The report of the Berang (Selangor) Rubber Plantations for the year ended June 30 states that the yield of rubber for the year was 9,543 lb., which realized a gross average price of 8.24d. per lb., and a net price of 4s. 2.93d. The cost of production, owing to the relatively small number of trees as yet in tapping, was high, amounting to 2s. 9.9d. per lb. The number of trees in tapping is gradually increasing, and the number at the end of August last was 10,500 trees. The profit and loss account shows a debit balance of £294 carried to balance-sheet.

China Tea.

Reliable statistics with regard to tea production in China are practically unobtainable, but it seems probable that during the year under consideration China contributed at least one-sixth of the amount of tea consumed throughout the world. The revolution naturally affected the trade in various ways, in addition to the temporary stoppage of the Hankow "brick" trade. Labour was withdrawn for military service and the unprotected districts were infested by robbers. Banking arrangements were upset and payments had to be made in silver, which was exposed to great risks in passing through the country, as very little protection was to be obtained for it in transit from the authorities.

Sablas (North Borneo) Rubber.

The report of the Sablas (North Borneo) Rubber, Limited, states that, in addition to the area under rubber cultivation, arrangements have been made for planting 500 acres with coconuts. During the year to April 30 both estates have been inspected by Mr. Corbetta, and his reports testify to the efficient and thoroughly workmanlike manner in which the work is being carried out. The chairman also visited both the estates in the early part of this year, and he was very pleased with their condition. The 6 per cent. dividend guaranteed for six years by the British North Borneo Company, under the terms of the concession, has been duly paid to date.

Singapore Produce.

November 22, 1912.

Gambier	...	\$3.18
do (Cube No. 1) unpicked	...	13.75
Copra Sundried	...	11.40
do Mixed	...	10.90
Pepper, Black	...	20.00
do White 5 percent	...	34.00
Sago Flour Sarawak	...	4.00
do Brunel No. 1	...	nom.
Pearl Sago	...	5.50
Coffee Bali	...	34.00
Coffee Palembang 10 per cent. basis	...	33.00
Tapioas, small flake	...	7.70
do small pearl	...	7.25
do med. pearl	...	7.25
Tin	...	114.00
Opium, China	...	3,400
do Straits	...	1,100
Rice, Rangoon White	...	220
Rice, Siam No. 1	...	320
do No. 2	...	290
Petroleum.		
Devos's Imp. Brilliant Oil (2 tins)	...	3.42
Sylvan Arrow Oil (2 tins)	...	3.11
Fish Brand (2 tins in case at 3.15)	...	3.15
Oil	2 tins	at 3.15
Lamp Glass (2 tins in case at 3.15)	...	3.15
(superfine) 2 tins	at 3.05	
Langkat's Dragon Brand	2 tins in case at 3.05	
do	2 tins	at 2.95
Bulk Oil per drum of 4 galls	...	at 2.55
Cross Oil (2 tins) at 2.75	...	
Turpene per tin 4 gallons at 2.60	...	

CITY HALL.

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109	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
110	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
111	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
112	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
113	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
114	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
115	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
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117	100' x 100'	10,000	1,000	10,000
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